The Higher Meaning of the Story Discussed By a Correspondent. To the Editor of the Intelligencer.

SIR:-I have been reading the new West Virginia novel, the "Daughter of the Eim," and have even been making a little study of it to see if I could penetrate the motif that underlies the work. For I fancy the author has not meant to merely give us an entertaining narrative about the offences of a rough gang that lived on the banks of the Monongahela some forty years ago. True, the story itself and the manner of telling it, make this a notable book; but did not the author intend us to find something more? It seems to me he did, and I want to tell you what I think it is.

The title of the book is well ch for the heroine is the great and central figure in the story. She enters in the first chapter, with her girlish impa-tience for the coming of her lover, anxious about him and eager to warn him against the evil lines laid for him. She bids us farewell under the starlight on the porch of her Kansas cottage; and she is the one character with a moral purpose all the way through. She parts with the reader a wife and mother, who, despite this relation in which she is as faithful as integrity can make a human being, has made "the great sacrifice," as many, like her, do, in the silence of uncomplaining submission to the decrees of fate, against which protest is vain. Wherever she appears in the story, between that advent and this farewell, she is the pure, truehearted girl and woman; living her lonely, companionless, almost loveless life, faithful to her obligation though it consigns her to an existence in which the most fragrant flowers of the soul can never come to their efforescence. Here is a girl born into a home and

family in which, by the very fiber of her lofty and virginal spirit, she can never have any lot or part save as a sojourning stranger. By one of those fateful providences that result in human misfits-the author calls it a "freak of heredity"-this girl grows up in a household where she is perforce a stranger from the time she reaches the age and development to realize the gulf that divides her from those around her. Of love and companionship, beyond and after the age of childish affection, she has none. She is in her soul as much alone as Crusoe on his island. Beautiful as she was, she could not but have admirers among the young men who came around her; but "she was separated from them by an infinite space which they had no conception of, nor she any power The first love, and the one

that shapes her life, comes to her force of circumstances. Her affection for young Holmes grows out of pity for a lad who needed the firm direction of a mother more than he did a sweet heart; and without experience to warn her against such a sacrifice, she gives him all the affection he has capacity to awaken in her and pledges an unreserv ed troth, from which when later she comes to realize what an adequate love would be to her, she never for a moment thinks of withdrawing. "Faithful unto death" she truly is, though it must have wrung the tenderest and secretest heart-strings of her soul.

Her meeting with St. George is like the meeting of the drooping flower with the vernal sun and the shower. There bloomed in her at once a consciousness of what life would be with a noble, congenial spirit; and at the same time she was awakened to a realization of her own untoward fate.

With fine skill the author develops the state of the case between Loraine and St. George—the mutual recognition of kindred souls; St. George's perception of her terrible position,"worse than an alien in her own home," and her perception that he understands it. Had there never been any meeting but the first, the poor girl's fate would have been less tragic, for her dream would have passed like a baseless vision. But the second meeting completes the fatal initial of the first; it warms and quickens what each had been feeling and

meditating, consciously or unconscious-

ly, in the interval. Love at first sight is not the ridiculous phantasy some would have us believe. Nature prepares the mated souls for instant recognition. We see this in the meeting on the lawn, where St. George finds Loraine taking up the plants; in the impulse that prompts him to ask for the walk to the river and in her preparedness for the request. We feel it as much in their consciousness of each other as in their conversation-he impulsive and glowing with an ardor that might have carried him to any length; she profoundly affected but crushed with the consciousness of her relation to another which compels her to put aside the love St. George is eager to proffer her. How keenly he feels the chill when he sees

"her words had not evoked in her face the warmth he had expected to see bear them company;" how deeply

she is moved by the consciousness of it and his endeavor not to show his

hurt; and in parting with him hastily

at the moment when his impulsive speech threatens to break down the

barriers of her reserve, she cannot but let him see in her eyes that her heart is

his, while driven to deny himself any admission of the fact. This chapter is

skilfully drawn, and it rises to a fitting "I have been admiring this greatelm," says St. George, "as one of the things I have found here to admire." How well Loraine knows he means she is the other thing he has found to admire. Yet she affects entire unconsciousness of it in the pretty speech in which she tells him how in her loneliness she comes to the elm for the sense of companionship and protection it gives her, and which (she does not tell him) she finds no-

where else How the anguish of her life is brought out in the cry: "When the natural world in which man has no part is painted in such delightful colors, why is it that all this paradise must be turned into desolation by human frailty and wrong?" But she adds the serene thought: "But then our mortal vision reaches but a little We must believe there is beneficence beyond it all, and that the evil

shadow of infinite love and compas-

The pathos of the story comes out again in her visit to Riverside to warn St. George, and in the parting, forever, as it proved, though neither could have realised it at the time; later still in the reference to St. George at Pittsburgh in after years, with his lovely wife and luxurious home, but with a shadow in his heart in which is hidden away th image of Loraine Esmond, sighing like the judge in Maud Muller over the perveristy of fate and the "might have And what of her? the door forever on everything but the memory of him"; but she perpetuates that memory in his name given to her boy and prays secretly that he may grow up to be a man befitting the name, at the same time never for an instant faltering in her faithfulness to the child's father, who, while not un worthy of her, is unequal to her, who can never fill the aching void which so many lives like hers carry to the

grave. Such is the crucifixion of this noble life. How many other women go through the world as she does, treading the wine-press alone, acting their part in the "bloodless tragedles" that make the secret shadow at many a

Purposely or not, as I read it, author has given to the world in this "Daughter of the Elm" a figure as herole and pathetic as anywhere adorns the pages of fiction. PERDITA.

Wheeling, Jan. 9, 1900.

WHEELING WHOLESALB MARKETS. Weekly Change of Quotations in all Lines of Local Trade. Office of the Intelligencer, Wheeling, Jan. 9.

Provisions.
Flour-Fancy roller mill winter wheat, wood at \$3 65 per barrel; paper at \$3 50 per barrel; spring wheat, Minnehaha \$4 30 in cotton sacks; \$4 30 per barrel; \$4 10 in paper sacks; Galaxy \$4 10 in paper sacks; \$4 30 per barrel; Gold Coin flour \$4 20 in cotton, or \$4 00 in paper; Loyal % paper, \$3 40; Reliance, \$4 10 in wood: \$3 90 in paper Pillsbury \$4 10 in paper; \$4 30 in co and wood. Ceresota and Electric L wood and cotton \$4 15; paper, \$3 95

Syrups-Choice sugar syrups, 27c; Fancy drips 23c; Silver drips 19c; New Orleans molasses, choice crop, 40c prime 35c; fair, 33c; mixed good, New

prime 35c; fair, 33c; mixed good, New Orleans, 25c; bakers' good, 18c. Provisions—Large S. C. hams 9%c; medium hams 10%c; small hams 10%c; S. C. breakfast bacon 7%g8c; shoulders 7%; sides, 7%c; ordinary beef, 13%c; ham dried beef 17c; knuckles 17%c; family meas pork, 5-poind pieces, 39 56; bean pork, bbis., \$9 00.

Lard — Pure refined tierces, 6%c; the advance for smaller packages is as

bean pork, bbls., \$9.00.

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the advance for smaller packages is as
follows: 50-lb. tins ¼c over tlerces;
fancy tubs %c; 20-lb. tins %c; 10-lb. tins
%c; 5-lb. tins %c; 21-lb. tins %c; 10-lb. tins
%c; 5-lb. tins %c; 3-lb. tins 1c.
Sugars—Cutloaf 5.76c; cubes, 5.49c;
powdered 5.46c; granulated standard
.55c; American A 5.01c; standard fine
granulated 5.35c; standard confectioners A 5.16c; Columbia A 5.01c; standard
Windsor 5.01c; white extra 4.81c; extra C 4.71c; fruit sugar 4.55c
Coffee—Green coffee, fancy Golden
Rio, 16c; fancy green 15c; choice green
14%c; roasting grades 10½c; Java 25½c;
roasted in packages, Arrow, 11.14c; Panhandle 10.54c; Arbuckle & Co's roasted
11.14c; Lion, 10.14c; bulk roasted 9c; Old
Government Java roasted 29c; Mocha
and Java 29c; A grade Rio 23c.
Tens—Young Hyson, per lb., 30@55c;
Gunpowder, 30@50c; Imperial, 40@55c;
Japan, 28@75c; Oolong 27@80c; Souchang, 57@70c.
Candles—Star full weight 11c; Parafine, per lb., 11c; Electric Light, per

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Vinegar—Choice cider 12@14c per galion; standard city brands 10@11c per galion; country. 13@15c per gallon, as to quality.

Chèese—Full cream 13½@13½c;Sweitzer 13½c; Limburger 12½c; factory 11@11½c

Fish—No. 2 mackerel, 100 fish. 75 fbs., 47 50; No. 2 extra mackerel, tubs., 60 fbs., \$10 00; no. 2 100 fbs., \$10 00 fbs., \$10 fbs., \$

bol. 31 25; dairy, hie, investigate eacks, \$1 10 per sack.
Seed Corn—11c per lb.
Wooden Ware—No. 1 tubs, \$7 50; No.
2, \$6 50; No. 3, \$8 50; 2-hoop palls, \$1 50;
3-hoop, \$1 70; single washboards, \$1 50;
double do., \$2 50; fine crimped double
do., \$2 75; single do., \$2 25.

Grain and Feed

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Grain—Wheat65@68c, new or old. Corn
35@40c per bushel. Oats out of store,
western crop, 35c per bushel; home
crop, 23@30c per bushel.
Feed—Bran \$18 per ton; middlings
\$18 per ton. Hay, No. 1 timothy; baled,
\$12; mixed, \$8 00@9 00; timothy hay,
loose, \$9 00@11 00; straw, wheat, baled,
\$5; straw, wheat, loose, \$5.

Fruits and Produce.
(Quotations by Parker & Co.)

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Butter—Creamery, 1-Tb. prints, fancy
28@30c; tub. 25@35c; country choice,
per Ib., 18@30c; country, fair, 13@15c.

Eggs—Firm; fresh in case 24@25c per
dozen; coid storage 16@17c.
Fruits—Apples \$2 50@2.75.
Poultry—Old roosters 7c per pound;
spring chickens 12½c per pound; hens
sc per pound.

Tropical Fruit—Lemons, fancy, \$3 00@
2.5. Oranges \$2 75@3 00 per box, Bananas, \$1 50@2 00 per bunch.
Vegetables—Native onlons 60c per
bushel; \$1 50 per barrel. Potatoes 60@
55c per bushel. Cabbage 1%@2e per Ib.;
\$1 35 per box, Hickory nuts \$1 per bushel.
Turnips, 50c per bushel. Parsnips,
75c per bushel; \$2 00 per barrel.

Miscellaneous. (Quotations by Parker & Co.)

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Roots and Barks—Ginseng, dry, per b., \$25 0023 00; some in market; sassafras bark per lb., \$690; sassafras oll, per lb., 300500; May apple root, per lb., \$6467c; yellow root, per lb., \$6467c; yellow root, per lb., \$650; Seneca snake root, per lb., free of top., 30235c; West Virginis snake root, per lb., \$25035c; pink root, per lb., fine, 2009 35c; elm bark, per lb., fire, wild cherry bark, per lb., \$612c.

Beans—Prime new hand-picked, medium \$1 7561 85; prime new hand-picked \$1 7561 85; prime new hand-picked \$1 7561 85; navy, \$1 50.

Wool—Fine washed 30832c; one-third off for unwashed; one-fourth off for unconditioned; medium unwashed 1869 20c; medium washed 30632c.

Wheeling Live Stock Market. Miscellaneous.

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(Quotations by Goodhue & Co.)
Cattle-Extra, 1,000 to 1,200, \$4 50@
4 75; good, 900 to 1,900, \$4 25@4 50; 800 to
900, \$4 0004 25; fair, 700 to 800, \$3 85@
4 00; common, 600 to 700, \$3 25@3 50;
bulls, 2@21ec; cows, 114@3c.
Sheep-Extra, \$3 75@4 00; good, \$3 50@
2 75; common, \$3 00@3 50; spring lambs
\$4 50@5 50 -Extra 34 50@4 60; good 34 35@

50; common \$3 50@4 00. Fresh Cows-\$25@35; calves 54@64c.

FINANCE AND TRADE. The Features of the Money and Stock

Markets. NEW YORK, Jan. 9 .- Money on call steady at 41/251/2 per cent; last loan 51/2 per cent. Prime mercantile paper 6 per cent. Sterling exchange easier, ficence beyond it all, and that the evil with actual business in bankers' bills we see and which seems so monstrous at 14 57% for demand and 14 83% to our apprehension is only a necessary 4 53% for sixty days; posted rates

\$4 8416@4 8816. Commercial bills \$4 8216@ Silver certificates 584@594c. Bar silver 50c. Mexican dollars 47%c.

State bonds inactive.

The stock market was practically inert during the early part of the session to-day, the buying demand falling to scarcely appreciable proportions. The bear traders watched this inviting field the war news, an improved cash dewith longing eyes until the attraction became too strong for them, and they greater part of the list. They succeeded in effecting very marked declines and bringing out a certain amount of offerings by uncovering stop loss orders, but the volume of the selling was not important and the success of the bears was not due to the listless attitude of the public towards stocks, but indisposition of insiders to support prices. There was no positive incident in the day's event for the bears to base their operations on. Their conclusion was rather a negative one as to the chance of any unfavorable change from the present depressing influences. For the present it is obvious that capital has no inclination to move into stocks, and it is noticeable that the quiet investment absorption, which was a feature of the market during the last week in December and which continued into the first week in January, has to all intents and purposes, ceased at the present level of prices. A series of encouraging events has afforded a pretty good test of speculative sentiment by being totally ignored. There have been new entries to the list of dividend paying stocks and increases are dividend rate of established dividend-payers. The money situation has ceased to cause anxiety owing to the return of the flow from domestic centres and the cessation of the drain on the sub-treasury. Money markets abroad have come through the crisis of the yearly settlements and are steadily working towards ease, so that the drawing of gold from New York is now believed to have ceased, at least, for the time being. Far-reaching accomplishment towards harmonizing great railroad systems have been announced and disastrous trade wars have been patched up according to all appearances. The small effect produced by all these important developments are cited by the bear element as indicating small hopes for any advance in prices. There was a small opening advance in stocks in opposition to the heaviness in London and in sympathy with strength in Sugur and Brooklyn Transit. The al-most entire disappearance of buying demand in spite of very little offerings, then allowed prices to gradually fall until the active selling movement of the last two hours, which forced prices easily and rapidly downward. were a few feeble rallies, sufficient cause to some irregularity, but the tone in the main continued weak until the close. The dividends in Louisville and Federal Steel common were -not announced until near the close, but the bears counted upon their exercising an unfavorable effect as not being up to expectations. The possibility of further reverses for Great Britain in South Africa and rumors of general complica

involving further embarrassments for Great Britain were used for The bond market was dull and heavy in sympathy with stocks. Total sales

United States old 4s registered and old 5s coupon declined 1/2, and the 3s coupon, new 4s, old 4s coupon and 5s registered 14 per cent in the bld price.

par value, \$1,255,000.

U. S. Bonds.

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Stocks.

Atchison 18%	Mo. Pacific 69
do preferred 60	Mobile & Oblo., 39
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Can. Pacific 90%	do preferred 31
Can. Southern 484/2	N. J. Central110
Ches. & Ohlo 294	N. Y. Central 132
Can. Pacific 90% Can. Southern 48% Ches. & Ohio 29% Chicago G. W 12	Norfolk & W 22
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Chi., Ind. & L 15	Northern Pac 51
do preferred 47	Northern Pac 51 do preferred 72
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Chi. & N. W,160	Ore. Ry. & N., 42
	de preferred 76
C. C. C. & St. L. 60%	Pennsylvania 199
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do 2d pre 14	Rio G. West 37
Del. & Hudson114	Pulo Gr. West 41
Del., Lack. & W.175	do preferred 81
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Iowa Central 11%	Southern Pac 38
do preferred 49	Southern Ry 11
K. C., P. & G 7% Lake Eric & W. 23	do preferred 52
Lake Erie & W. 21	Texas & Pac 14 Union Pacific 44
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Laclede Gas 78 Total sales of stocks 379,800 shares.
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New York Mining Stocks.

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Steel, Tin, Tube and Hoop Stocks. The following prices for the above stocks are furnished by Simpson & Tatum, City Bank building:

National Steel, common 41
National Steel, preferred 92
American Tin, common, Min
American Tin, preferred 80
National Tube, common 43
National Tube, preferred 1114
American Hoop, common 42
American Hoop, preferred 81
The following quotations are furnis
by Howard Hazlett & Son, brokers,
tional Exchange Bank building:
Steel, preferred
Steel, common

Breadstuffs and Provisions.

CHICAGO-The wheat market was weak early, with Liverpool, railled on closed 40% and oats % better. Pro-visions closed 7%@15c lower. The wheat market was oversold to-day, and dull most of the time. Liverpool was weak, and in sympathy wheat here opened %c under yesterday's close. The pit was entirely on the selling side, and in the liquidation shorts joined. May fell off to 67%267%c, and for a time the only demand was against puts. A rumor that a British cruiser had fired on a Dutch ship was all that was needed to frighten shorts. The buying thus inaugurated quickly developed the fact that the market had been oversold. Adthough this had been overlooked pre though this had been overlooked previously. May advanced to 67%c when the ascent was checked momentarily by the announcement of the liberal increase in the visible supply, where a decrease had been expected. The market lost only %c or this, then resuming its upward journey. The close was strong, May closing %c overwesterday at \$31.067%c. Primary reyesterday at 684@67%c. Primary re-ceipts, incomplete, were 462,000 bushels, against 677,000 bushels last year. Min-neupolis and Duluth reported 385 cars, compared with 770 cars for two days last week and 430 cars a year ago. Re celpts here were 89 cars, ten of which were contract grade. The contract stock showed an increase of 71,000 bushels. Clearances were 317,000 bushels.

Corn was steady, though rather quiet. The influence of wheat was for a time depressing, but with the rally in the market and the additional support of a fair demand and light western offerings the market advanced, and closed at the top. Wet weather also had a steadying effect. Cash business was curtailed by the small offer-ings and the scarcity of cars. Re-ceipts here were 78 cars. May ranged from 32%@32%c to 33c, closing %@%c higher at 33c. The oats market was quiet but firm,

steadled in the face of the wheat weak-ness by liberal clearances recently and a fair export demand. Speculative husiness, as usual, was small.

husiness, as usual, was small. Re-celipts here were 355 cars. May ranged from 23%@23%c to 23c, closing %c over yesterday at 23%@24c.
Provisions opened with a show of steadiness, in the face of liberal hog receipts, but later succumbed to liquid-ation, most of it profit-taking, some in sympathy with wheat early. The mar-test held steady for some time, as the ket held steady for some time, as the demand was good, and offerings were not heavy. But the receipts and the disposition to take profits told later, and the market declined, with the final figures at the bottom. Pork ranged from \$10 95 to \$10 77%, closing 15c down at \$10 7714; May lard from \$6 0214 to \$5 90, with the close 10c lower at \$5 90, and May ribs from 25 7714 to \$5 70, closing 714c under at \$5 70.

Estimated receipts to-morrow: Wheat, 47 cars; corn, 375 cars; oats, 140 cars; hogs, 39,000 head.

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat, No. 2. Jan. May July	6136 67% 68	65 68% 68%	6414 67% 67%	
Corn, No. 2. Jan. May July	30% 33% 33%	301/4 33 331/4	30% 22% 33%	301/4 33 35%
Oats, No. 2. Jan. May	2214 23%	221/4. 24	2214 23%	2314 23%
Mess Pork. Jan. May	10 92%	10 95	10 77%	10 50 10 77%
Jan May	6 001/4	6.03%	5 90	5 75 5 90
Short Ribs. Jan May	6 77%	5 77%	5 70	5 60 5 70

Cash quotations were as follows: Flour—Easy. Wheat—No. 3 spring, 61%@63½c; No red, 664@664c. Corn—No. 2, 304@304c; No. 2 yellow,

31c. Dats-No. 2, 221/6/221/c; No. 2 white 5318—No. 2, 22%@22%c; No. 2 white 25%@25%c; No. 3 white, 24%@25%c. Rye—No. 2, 51%c. Barley—No. 2, 38@42c. Flaxseed—No. 1, \$1 51; northwestern, \$1 51.

11 51.
Timothy seed—Prime, \$2 40@2 50.
Mess pork per barrel \$5 35@10 60; lare
per 100 pounds, \$5 62½@5 77½; short ribs
sides, (loose), \$5 50@5 75; dry saited
shoulders, (boxed), 5 52@5c; short
clear sides, (hoxed), \$5 75@5 80.
Whiskey—Distillers' finished goods,
per gallon, \$1 23½.

clear sides, (boxed), \$5.75@5.80. Whiskey—Distillers' finished per gallon, \$1.23%. Clover—Contract grade, \$8.10. Butter—Firm; creameries, dairies, 15@25c. Cheese—Firm at 12@12%c. 22@29c; -Firm at 12@12%c.

Eggs-Steady; fresh, 19c.
NEW YORK-Flour, receipts, 14,428
barrels; exports, 2,318 barrels; market
banusually quiet and weaker in tone un-

til near the close, when it improved

which are the close, when it improved with wheat.

Wheat, receipts, 36,800 bushels; spot market firmer; No. 2 red, 73%c f. o. b. afloat from store; No. 1 northern Duluth, 75% f. o. b. afloat prompt; No. 2 red, 72%c elevator; options opened weak and closed firm at %@%c advance. March closed at 73%c. May closed at 74%c; July closed at 73%c.

Corn, receipts, 69,975 bushels; exports, 120,300 bushels; spot market firm; No. 2, 41c f. o. b. afloat and 40c elevator; option market opened weak on cable news, and was dull all the morning. Later in the day it improved materially, and closed firm at %c net advance. May closed at 33c.

Oats, receipts, 113,104 bushels; exports 250 bushels; spot market quiet; No. 2

256 bushels; spot market quiet; No. 2 2946; No. 3, 25%; No. 2 white, 3146 314c; No. 3 white, 30%c; track mixed western, 29630c; track white, 31635c;

options quiet.

Hops steady. Hay firm. Hops steady. Hides steady. Leather steady. Coal quiet. Beef quiet. Cutments quiet. Pork steady. Butter steady. Cheese firm. Eggs weak. Tallow firm. Cottonseed oil firm: prime crude, 211/622c; do yellow, 351/635c. Rosin firm. Turpentine steady. Rice steady. Molasses steady to firm. Freights to Liverpool,

Coffee market opened steady at 5 points advance to 5 points decline, and ruled active, and closed firm at 10925 points net higher. Sales, 34,350 bags. Sugar, raw. firm; refined firmer.

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HALTIMORE—Flour dull and unchanged; receipts, 8,552 barrels; exports, 7,551 barrels. Wheat steady;
spot and month, 69% 6970c; February,
71671%c; May, 72% 674c; steamer No. 2
red, 65% 65%c; receipts, 6,255 bushels;
exports, 74,000 bushels; southern wheat
by sample, 65671c; do on grade, 656
70c. Corn steady; spot and month,
35% 66876c; February, 35% 69367ac; March
774 6627%c; steamer mixed, 35% 69 714@375c; steamer mixed 554,6 254c; receipts, 234,965 bushels; exports, 125,000 bushels; southern white corn, 376,33c; do yellow, 386,39c. Oats firm: No. 2 white, 304,631c; No. 2 mixed

Cheese, butter and eggs un- RAILWAY TIME CARD. @16 00.

CINCINNATI-Flour easy. Wheat steady; No. 2 red, 70½c. Corn easier No. 2 mixd, 33c. Oats steady; No. 2 mixed, 25c. Rye steady; No. 2, 63c Lard quiet at 35 5505 60. Bulkmeat Lard quiet at 35 50. Becom firm at 35 50. Buttereast firm at 35 50. Becom firm at 34 55. Whisky active at 31 2314. Butter firmer and higher; fancy Eigin creamery, 30@31c; Ohio, 25@235c; dairy, 15c. Sugar firm and higher; hard refined, 24 50@5 50. Eggs easier at 17c. Cheese could.

TOLEDO-Wheat higher No. 2 cash, 68%c; May, 73%c. Corn dull and firm; No. 2 mixed, 12%c. Oats dull and steady; No. 2 mixed, 24c. Rys neglected. Cloverseed active and steady; prime cush old, 54 8c; January new, 55 52½; March, 5 70 bid. Oil un-

Live Stock

CHICAGO-Cattle, good to choice steers steady; others quiet at yester-day's decline. Texans fairly active Cow market about steady. Calf market Cow market about steady can market about steady can market about steady can be choice, \$5.05@5.50; poor to good, \$4.00@5.00; mixed stockers, \$3.00@3.75; selected feeders, \$4.15@4.75; good to choice cows, \$3.15@4.60; heifers, \$3.25@4.85; canners 22.00@2.80; bulls, \$3.50@4.60; calves, \$4.50@7.60; fed Texas beeves, \$4.00.65.50.

@5 50.
Hogs active; average 5c higher than yesterday; top, 34 60. Good clearance, Mixed and butchers, 34 30@64 5714; good to choice heavy, 34 45@4 50; rough heavy, 34 30@4 61 light, 34 25@4 50; bulk of sales at 34 45@4 55.
Sheep—Best sheep and lambs steady; others active and a shade lower; native wethers, 34 30@5 00; lambs, 35 25@6 25; western lambs, 35 25@5 35; receipts: cat-

ern lambs, \$5 25@5 35; receipts; tle, 3,500 head; hogs, 35,000 head; a 19,000 head. ad; hogs, 35,000 head; sheep,

19,000 head.

UNION STOCK YARDS, CLARE-MONT, BALTIMORE, Jan. 8.— (All stock sold gross weight).—Hog market—Receipts for the week, 11,832 head, against 15,250 head last week. Market steady for western. Other points about 10 cents lower. Quotations: Far western, 5c; other points, 14 8094 80; pigs, 44,644c; roughs, 33,64c.

Sheep and lambe—Receipts for the week, 3,591 head, against 3,445 head last week; nine carloads on sale. Market active on both sheep and lambs—Quotations: Sheep, common to good, 33 006 4 00; good to prime, 34 0064 50. Lambs—Common to good, 35 0066 00; good to prime, 6664c.

prime, 56764c. Calves-Market easier and dull; sales were made from 5 to 7 cents per pound.

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EAST LIBERTY—Cattle steady; extra, \$5 75@6 00; good, \$5 20@5 40; common, \$3 00@3 60.

Hogs stronger; heavy and prime mediums, \$4 60@4 65; heavy Yorkers, \$4 55@4 60; light Yorkers, \$4 50@4 55; plgs, \$4 40@4 50; roughs, \$3 00@4 00.

Sheep steady; choice wethers, \$4 65@4 70; common, \$2 00@3 00; choice lambs, \$5 00@5 20; common to good, \$4 20@5 90; yeal calves, \$7 00@7 75. veal calves, \$7 00@7 75.

CINCINNATI-Hogs active at \$3 85

Metals.

NEW YORK—There was a sharp jump in the price of tin to-day on firm cables and reappearance of buyers who have for some time held sloof. Spei-ter, on the other hand, was weak and neglected. The other departments neglected. The other departments were about unchanged, and destitute of special new features of interest. At the close the metal exchange called pig iron warrants quiet. Lake copper unchanged at \$16.50; tin firm, with \$25.60 bid and \$25 50 asked. Lead steady, with \$4 70 bid and \$4 75 asked; spelter easy, with \$4 65 bid and \$4 55 asked. The brokers' price for lead is \$4 45 and for copper \$16 50.

Dry Goods

NEW YORK-The demand for staple cottons has again been dull on home and export account, and only a limited business reported. Prices with-out material change. Prints firm, with moderate demand, and ginghams scarce and strong. Print cloths inactive in odds and nothing doing in regulars. Prices steady and un-changed. Men's wear woolens and worsted goods in good demand. Overoating heavily sold and tone of mar-

Petroleum.

OIL CITY-Credit balances, \$1 66; certificates opened and closed at \$1 66½ bid for cash oil. No sales. Ship-ments, 94.054 banrels; average, 79,682 barrels. Runs, 199.674 barrels; aver-77,456 barrels. NEW YORK-Petroleunf quiet.

Wool.

NEW YORK-Wool dull.

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BALTIMORE & OHIO RAILROAD.



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